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PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY.

1844.

No. 46.

May 27.

SIR WM. R. HAMILTON, LL. D., President, in the Chair.

Captain O'Connor exhibited two twisted gold rings, brought from Africa and there used as current money.

The President communicated a method of mentally approximating to the calculation of ancient eclipses, and applied it to the eclipse of the moon recorded by Tacitus as having happened soon after the death of Augustus.

Mr. J. Huband Smith drew the attention of the Academy to a report, that there was in contemplation the removal of a portion, if not the whole of the celebrated mound of New Grange, near Drogheda, to be broken up for the repair of the roads.

RESOLVED,—That it be referred to the Council to take steps to ascertain the truth of the report, and in the event of its proving true to take proper means to ensure the preservation of this great and important national monument.